# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HOME AFFAIRS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3882
ANSWERED ON:08.04.2003
AMENDMENT IN OFFICIAL SECRETS ACT
CHARAN DAS MAHANT;GADDE RAMAMOHAN;KAILASH MEGHWAL;KAMAL NATH;M.V.V.S MURTHI;RAMSHETH THAKUR

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government propose to accept the recommendations of the Commission to Review the Working of the constitution vis-Ã -vis judicial accountability;

(b) if so, whether Press Council of India had some time ago suggested an amendment to Official Secrets Act, 1923;

(c) whether a No. of MPs have also recently urged the Government to accept those recommendations and make suitable amendments in the Act to uphold the rule of law;

(d) if so, the details in this regard;

(e) the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(f) the steps the Government propose to take in this regard?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK )

(a)to(f): The matter is being looked into and the position in this regard will be laid on the Table of the House.